

ABSOLUTE RATING: Good

IMPROVEMENT RATING: Average

Number of districts with students like ours: 9.

The absolute ratings for those districts ranged from good to good. For improvement ratings, the range was from below average to average.

Definitions of District Rating Terms

Excellent- District performance substantially exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

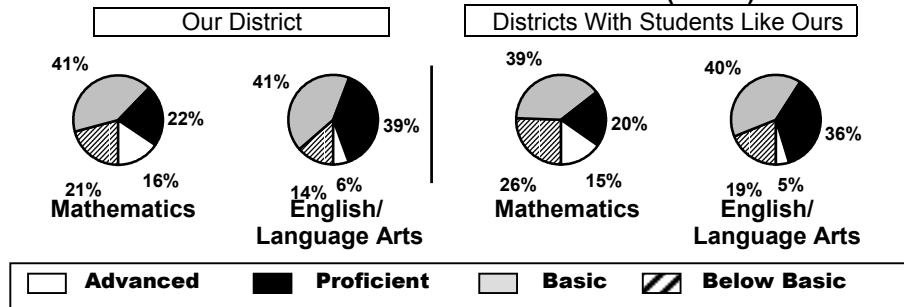
Good- District performance exceeds the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Average- District performance meets the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Below Average- District is in jeopardy of not meeting the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

Unsatisfactory- District performance fails to meet the standards for progress toward the 2010 SC Performance Goal.

PALMETTO ACHIEVEMENT CHALLENGE TESTS (PACT) RESULTS



DEFINITIONS OF CRITICAL TERMS:

- Advanced** – Student performance exceeded expectations.
- Proficient** – Student performance met expectations.
- Basic** – Student performance met minimum performance expectations.
- Below Basic** – Student performance did not meet minimum performance expectations.

PERFORMANCE BY STUDENT GROUPS

Student Group	Percent of Seniors Passing the Exit Exam	Percent of Seniors Qualifying for LIFE Scholarships	Percent of Students Scoring Basic or Above on the PACT	
			ELA	Math
All Students	96.1%	18.4%	86.3%	79.2%
Students with disabilities other than Speech	75.0%	0.0%	58.2%	39.2%
Students without disabilities	97.3%	19.4%	89.9%	84.1%
Gender				
Male	97.5%	15.8%	83.2%	78.6%
Female	94.8%	21.1%	90.3%	80.5%
Ethnic Group				
African-American	100.0%	13.3%	73.7%	62%
Hispanic	100.0%	0.0%	N/A	N/A
White	95.9%	18.8%	87.7%	80.7%
Other	N/A	0.0%	N/A	N/A
Lunch Status				
Free/ Reduced-Price Lunch	92.3%	21.7%	76.1%	66.3%
Pay for Lunch	96.3%	18.1%	91.1%	85%

TENTH GRADE PASSAGE OF ONE OR MORE SUBTESTS OF THE EXIT EXAM

	First-time Examinees		
	1999	2000	2001
Our district			
Passed all 3 subtests	75.3%	78.3%	81.1%
Passed 2 subtests	16.4%	10.9%	10.5%
Passed 1 subtest	5.9%	8.3%	6.8%
Passed no subtest	2.4%	2.5%	1.6%
Districts with students like ours			
Passed all 3 subtests	72.5%	76.4%	77.2%
Passed 2 subtests	15.8%	13.5%	12.9%
Passed 1 subtest	7.7%	7.0%	6.6%
Passed no subtest	4.0%	3.0%	3.2%

LIFE scholarships at four-year institutions

	Eligible	Percent of Seniors Meeting Grade Point Average Requirement	Meeting SAT/ACT Requirement
Our District	18.4%	62.1%	20.4%
Districts Like Ours	27.4%	54.2%	29.7%

College Admissions Tests: Tests that are frequently used in the college admissions process.

	SAT Verbal		SAT Math		SAT Total		ACT English		ACT Math		ACT Reading		ACT Science		ACT Total	
	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001	2000	2001
District	513	497	520	492	1033	989	19.7	19.2	19.8	19.2	20.5	20.3	19.8	19.9	20.1	19.8
State	484	486	482	488	966	974	18.7	18.8	19.2	19.3	19.5	19.5	19.2	19.2	19.3	19.3
Nation	505	506	514	514	1019	1020	20.5	20.5	20.7	20.7	21.4	21.3	21.0	21.0	21.0	21.0

These tests were administered to samples of students:

Terra Nova Test: A national, norm-referenced achievement test.

Percent scoring in upper half

	Reading		Language		Math		Total	
	State	Nation	State	Nation	State	Nation	State	Nation
Grade 4	47.8	50.0	43.1	50.0	58.4	50.0	50.5	50.0
Grade 7	45.8	50.0	59.4	50.0	54.7	50.0	53.9	50.0
Grade 10	59.6	50.0	59.5	50.0	62.4	50.0	59.1	50.0

National Assessment of Education Progress : A national, criterion-referenced achievement test.

Percents of Students

Test	Grade	Year	Advanced		Proficient		Basic		Below Basic	
			State	Nation	State	Nation	State	Nation	State	Nation
Reading	4	1998	4	6	18	23	33	32	45	39
Writing	8	1998	0	1	15	23	64	59	21	17
Mathematics	4	2000	2	3	16	23	42	43	40	31

DISTRICT PROFILE

INDICATORS OF DISTRICT PERFORMANCE

	This District	Change from Last Year	Districts With Students Like Ours	Median District
DISTRICT				
• Dollars per student	\$5,490	N/A	\$5,698	\$6,464
• Prime instructional time	90.6%	Up from 90.2%	90.6%	89.4%
• Student-teacher ratio	23.1 to 1	N/A	21.8 to 1	20.2 to 1
• Vacancies for more than nine weeks	0.7%	N/A	0%	0.6%
STUDENTS (n=7,273)				
• Advanced placement/ int'l baccalaureate program exam success ratio	26.6%	N/A	60.3%	43.8%
• Attendance Rate	95.9%	Down from 96.1%	96%	95.7%
• Taking PACT (ELA) off grade level	6.3%	N/A	3.4%	5.8%
• Taking PACT (Math) off grade level	5.1%	N/A	2.3%	4.5%
• Retention rate	4.1%	Up from 2.4%	4.1%	6.0%
TEACHERS (n=444)				
• Professional development days per teacher	7.7 Days	Up from 7.1	7.7 Days	7.8 Days
• Attendance rate	95.7%	Up from 95.3%	95.2%	95.2%
• Advanced Degrees	49.5%	Down from 52.9%	54.3%	44.4%
• Continuing contracts	84.7%	Down from 87.9%	82.1%	81.4%
• Out-of-field permits	1.4%	Up from 0.2%	1.8%	2.2%
• Teachers returning from the previous year	91%	Down from 92.8%	91%	89.5%
• Average salary	\$38,123	Up 2.4%	\$38,843	\$37,143

DISTRICT FACTS

DISTRICT				
• Annual dropout rate	2.1%	Down from 2.3%	2.8%	2.9%
• Percentage spent on teacher salaries	50.2%	N/A	52.5%	50.9%
• Superintendent's years in the district	13	N/A	2.5	3.5
• Parent conferences	96.3%	N/A	78.1%	81.0%
• Opportunities in the arts	Excellent	N/A	Excellent	Excellent
• Number of schools	13	No change	18	8
• Number of alternative schools	0	No change	0	0
• Number of charter schools	0	No change	0	0
• Number of magnet schools	0	N/A	0	0
• Portable classrooms	1.9%	N/A	9.4%	6.5%
• Attendance rate of district office staff	96.3%	Up from 94.9%	97.7%	97.5%
• Average administrative salary	\$65,484	Up 2.0%	\$65,484	\$64,098
STUDENTS				
• Enrollment in adult education GED or diploma programs	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Percent of completions in adult education GED or diploma programs	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
• Suspensions and expulsions	138	N/A	138	100
• Percent eligible for state gifted and talented programs	19.6%	Down from 20.8%	16.8%	10.5%
• Percentage with disabilities other than speech	11.6%	Up from 10.7%	8.1%	10.5%

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Grades K-12

Enrollment: 7,273 Students

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Board Chair Fred Alexander 864-947-9346

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DISTRICT SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT

The mission of Anderson School District One, in partnership with students, parents, and community, is to develop well-rounded, productive members of society by providing challenging and diverse educational experiences, which meet individual needs and capitalize on the unique qualities of everyone. Our main goal is the accomplishment of this mission. We work to accomplish this goal by:

Providing a standards based instructional program for all pre-K-12 students.
Providing a safe and effective learning environment for all children.
Recruiting, hiring, and retaining the very best professional and support staff.
Providing the best possible professional development activities for our schools.
Seeking funding for our district through federal, state, and local grants.
Being good stewards of the funds provided to the district by the citizens and businesses of our communities.
Meeting and exceeding the expectations of the District One community and its patrons.
Reflecting and reinforcing the character and values of our communities.

Progress Noted:

District ranked among top 10 districts in the state academic achievement
Seven 21st Century Community Learning Centers
Three National Service Learning Leader Schools
Four state recognized Exemplary Writing Schools
All schools participated in Schools of Promise with four Flagship status
4.2 million dollars in competitive grants received
Completion of a 30.7 million dollar building program

An organizational culture that reflects the values of our communities... excellence, high expectations, high achievement, and a willingness to work well together help to make Anderson One an outstanding district.

Dr. W. R. Christopher, Superintendent

South Carolina Performance Goal:

By 2010, South Carolina's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the five fastest improving systems in the country.

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